

SAINT STEPHEN BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

4141 Laurence Avenue
Allen Park, MI 48101
313-382-5901

June 9th, 2019

Priest: Rev. John R.P. Russell, M.Div.
cell phone: 412-378-0308
email: jrprussell@gmail.com

Deacon: Rev. Deacon Lawrence Hendricks

Cantor: Pani Mary Hendricks



Glory to Jesus Christ! Welcome to St. Stephen!

You are welcome here. Join us in prayer and worship
of almighty God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

About the Parish

St. Stephen Byzantine Catholic Church, led by the Holy Spirit, is called to evangelize – to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We commit ourselves to welcoming and caring for all of God's children.

We are a parish of the Byzantine Ruthenian Catholic Eparchy of Parma, an eparchy of the Byzantine Ruthenian Metropolitan Church *sui iuris* of Pittsburgh. Bishop Milan (Lach) of Parma is our bishop. Archbishop William (Skurla) of Pittsburgh is our Metropolitan. We are in communion with our holy father Francis, the Pope of Rome.

“The Eastern Churches in communion with the Apostolic See of Rome have a special duty of promoting the unity of all Christians, especially Eastern Christians... by prayer in the first place, and by the example of their lives, by religious fidelity to the ancient Eastern traditions, by a greater knowledge of each other, by collaboration and brotherly regard” (*De ecclesiis orientalibus*, 24).

Sunday, June 9, 2019

⊕ PENTECOST SUNDAY. Tone 7

⊗ Our Holy Father Cyril, Bishop of Alexandria (444).

Vespers Paramia: Numbers 11:16-17, 24-29 • Joel 2:23-32 • Ezekiel 36:24-28.

Matins Gospel: John 20:19-23.

Acts 2:1-11. John 7:37-52; 8:12.

8:45am Third Hour

9:00am Divine Liturgy for Pentecost – *for the people of the parish*

+John (Jack) Bonacor, from Camilleri Family (6-5-2019)

Reader: Nicholas Zawaski

11:00am Kneeling Vespers

Monday, June 10, 2019

PENTECOST MONDAY. The Holy Martyr Timothy, Bishop of Prussia (362).

Ephesians 5:8b-19. Matthew 18:10-20.

7:00pm Divine Liturgy for Pentecost Monday

+Joseph Humenik, from Dan & Monie Cusin

Tuesday, June 11, 2019

Pentecost Tuesday. † The Holy Apostles Bartholomew and Barnabas.

for the apostles: Acts 11:19-30. Luke 10:16-22.

for the day: Rom 1:1-7, 13-17. Matthew 4:25-5:12a.

7:00am First Hour

Wednesday, June 12, 2019

no fasting this week!

Pentecost Wednesday. ⊗ Our Venerable Father Onuphry the Great (400).

Our Venerable Father Peter of Athos (734).

Romans 1:18-27. Matthew 5:20-26.

9:00am First & Third Hour

6:00pm Vespers

7:00pm Divine Liturgy

for the unity of the Catholic Church, from Susan Spear

Thursday, June 13, 2019

Pentecost Thursday. The Holy Martyr Aquilina (293).

Our Holy Father Triphyllus, Bishop of Leucosia (370).

Romans 1:28-2:9. Matthew 5:27-32.

9:00am Third Hour

Parish Work Day

6:00pm Councils Meeting

Friday, June 14, 2019

no fasting this week!

Pentecost Friday. The Holy Prophet Elisha.

Our Holy Father Methodius, Patriarch of Constantinople (847).

Romans 2:14-29. Matthew 5:33-41.

9:00am First & Third Hour

7:00pm Vespers

Saturday, June 15, 2019

Leave-taking of Pentecost. The Holy Prophet Amos.

The Venerable Jerome, Priest of Stridon (420).

Romans 1:7b-12. Matthew 5:42-48.

8:45am Third Hour

9:00am Divine Liturgy

+Josefa Patrick, from Marron Family

7:00pm Great Vespers

Sunday, June 16, 2019 *Father's Day*

SUNDAY OF ALL SAINTS. Tone 8

Our Holy Father and Wonder-worker Tychon, Bishop of Amathis (c. 425).

Vespers Paramia: Isaiah 43:9-14a • Wisdom 3:1-9 • Wisdom 5:15-6:3.

1st Resurrectional Matins Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20.

Hebrews 11:33-12:2a. Matthew 10:32-33, 37-38; 19:27-30.

8:45am Moleben for Father's Day

9:00am Divine Liturgy – *for the people of the parish*

+Joseph Humenik, from Dan & Monie Cusin (6-10-19)

+Josefa Patrick, from Marron Family (6-15-19)

Reader: Cecilia Hendricks

LEGEND

- ⊕ Great Feast
- ⊕ Feast with an All-night Vigil
- ⊕ Feast with the Polyeleos at Matins
- ⊗ Feast with the Great Doxology at Matins
- ⊗ Feast with Six Stichera at Vespers



by tradition, a strict fast day (no meat, dairy, eggs, fish, wine, or oil)



by tradition, a fast day permitting wine and oil. (no meat, dairy, eggs, or fish)



by tradition, a fast day permitting fish, wine, and oil (no meat, dairy, or eggs)



by tradition, a fast day permitting dairy, eggs, fish, wine, and oil (no meat)

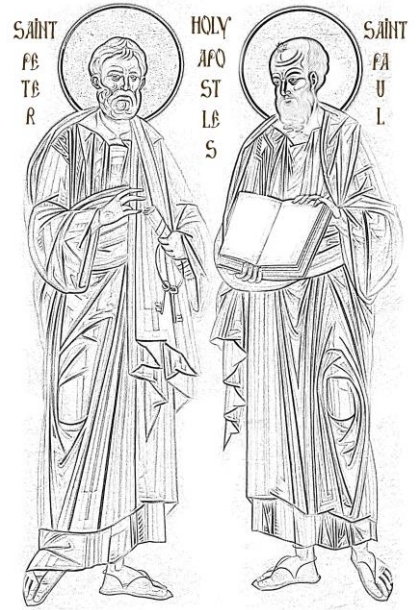


Spiritual Bouquet for Father's Day

At St. Stephen's, we have the custom of offering a spiritual bouquet for our fathers on Father's Day. In the past, this has included offering the Divine Liturgy for them on Sunday. Sunday Divine Liturgy must be offered for all the people of the parish (*pro populo*). Therefore, as our spiritual bouquet on Father's Day (**June 16th**), we will offer a Moleben for Father's Day before the Divine Liturgy (instead of Third Hour) for all our fathers, those living and those asleep in the Lord.

The Apostles Fast

The Apostles Fast begins after the Sunday of All Saints (June 16th) and lasts through June 28th, ending with the feast of the Holy Apostles Peter & Paul on June 29th. The Typicon prescribes strict abstinence from meat, fish, dairy, eggs, wine, & oil on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, with a mitigated abstinence permitting wine & oil on Tuesday and Thursday. The Byzantine Ruthenian Metropolitan Church *sui iuris* of Pittsburgh has identified this period as a penitential season (Canon 880, §2). This fast may be observed voluntarily.



50th Anniversary of the Eparchy of Parma

The Eparchy of Parma is celebrating its golden jubilee **June 21-22**, and you're invited! Check out the program on the poster in the narthex of the church and register to participate at jubileeparma.eventbrite.com or email jubilee@parma.org or call Nancy Fredrick (216) 741-8773, ext. 4. We look forward to seeing you there!

Father Deacon Gregory Loya of the Cathedral of St. John is seeking volunteers to help with the 50th anniversary events at the cathedral in Parma.

Any help you offer will be much appreciated.

Help is needed for:

Friday, June 21, at 7 PM Vespers: Parking lot, ushers, greeters, servers.

Saturday, June 22nd, at 10 AM Moleben: Ushers, greeters, servers. Parking lot.

Saturday 11 AM Divine Liturgy: Ushers, greeters, servers. Parking lot.

Saturday Dinner: Greeters at door, checking reservations.

Friday & Saturday: "First Aid" Station

This will be Fr. Mike's old office that will have a cot, ice, cold water and acetaminophen.

Volunteers for this **do not have to have medical experience** as we will not be providing that level of care.

Let Fr. John or Fr. Dcn. Greg know if you will help with any of these needs.



Parish Picnic!

On **July 13th**, we will be having a parish picnic and inviting our neighbors! This will be a great opportunity for us to socialize and get to know each other better. Jane Adams is organizing the event. See her to see what you can do to help prepare!

Byzantine Catholic Young Adult Convocation

A convocation will take place **August 1st-4th** at St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church in New York City and is open to all young adults ages 18-35. The weekend of the convocation will coincide with the Feast of the Transfiguration on August 6th. The Gospel narrative for this feast defines what it means to be a disciple of Christ and how to live that calling in one's day to day life. The convocation will thus be divided into three parts, each addressing one step on the journey to discipleship:

Together we are:

Called to Discipleship.

Transfigured through a new life in Christ.

Sent to proclaim the Gospel to the world.

Registration is available at theosisinaction.org/convocation-2019 through **June 15th**. We welcome and invite all young adults ages 18-35 to join us on this very special weekend! Please encourage young adults with questions to reach out to us at theosisinaction@gmail.com or <https://www.facebook.com/theosisinaction>. If you are interested in serving in the Hierarchical Divine Liturgy or participating in this event, please RSVP by June 15th via email.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

Join the Guild! The Guild is dedicated to caring for and beautifying our holy place and all the appointments for our Divine worship. All are welcome to join the Guild. They meet next on **Sunday, September 8th**, after Divine Liturgy.

Join the workers! Please join the workers every Thursday after Third Hour at 9:00 AM for our weekly parish work day.

Join the cleaners! Please contact Louise Dalbo to volunteer to clean the church for any particular week you're able. Or, get your name put in the rotation of regular church cleaners.

The Ostentoski & Sutyak Families are scheduled to clean the church this week. Many thanks to **the Russell Family** and to all who worked and cleaned this past week. May God grant them many years!

ATTENDANCE

Attendance on June 2nd, 2019 was **58**. Average Sunday attendance \approx 61

Thank you for coming and worshipping God, the Father, the Son, & the Holy Spirit with us,
and for inviting others to join us!

COLLECTION

The collection on June 2nd, 2019 was **\$1614.45**. Average Weekly Collection: \$1574.03

Sunday: \$1343.45; Holy Day: \$116; Children: \$1; Fuel: \$81; Candles: \$46;

Special Collection: \$57

Thank you for your generous and sacrificial tithes and offerings!



Saint Stephen

BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH